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Semiconductor input/output circuit arrangement

Title (de)
Eingangs/Ausgangs-Schaltungsanordnung für einen integrierten Halbleiterbaustein

Title (fr)
Système de circuit d'entrée/sortie dans un circuit intégré à semi-conducteur

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Abstract (en)
A method of producing a semiconductor circuit is disclosed with an area saving in comparison to conventional circuit layouts. IO cells are arranged with a width multiplied by a factor, but with corresponding reduced height. ESD protection circuitry is included at a reduced rate in comparison to usual arrangements. The space saving is achieved by occupying a semiconductor area that would have been used by ESD circuitry with the IO circuitry. ESD protection is maintained but at different locations. <IMAGE>

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